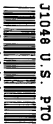


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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR DETECTING TREPONEMA
 PALLIDUM

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 35 pages of specification, 4 pages of claims, and an abstract
- ☒ 17 sheet(s) of drawings
- ☒ 3 pages of a Declaration
 - ☒ New (unsigned) original
- ☒ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
 - ☒ Computer Readable Copy
 - ☒ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy), 30 pages
 - ☒ Statement in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 verifying identity of above copies.

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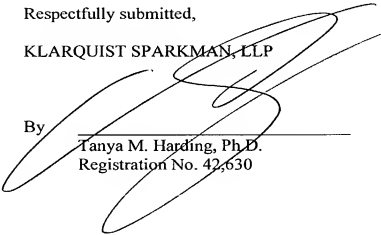
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